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**(54) R-T-B sintered permanent magnet**

(57) An R-T-B sintered permanent magnet having a composition including 28-33 weight % of R, and 0.5-2 weight % of B, the balance being substantially T and inevitable impurities, wherein R is at least one rare earth element including Y, at least one heavy rare earth element selected from the group consisting of Dy, Tb and Ho being indispensable, and T is Fe or Fe and Co, the permanent magnet having a crystal structure comprising first  $R_2T_{14}B$ -type, main-phase crystal grain particles having a higher heavy rare earth element concentration than that of a crystal grain boundary phase, and second  $R_2T_{14}B$ -type, main-phase crystal grain particles having a lower heavy rare earth element concentration than that of the crystal grain boundary phase.

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